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Title: THERMAL ANALYSIS FOR DETECTION AND IDENTIFICATION OF EXPLOSIVES AND OTHER CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES

The prior application is assigned of record to University of Massachusetts, a Massachusetts corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on June 13, 2000 at 010893/0112 and August 27, 2001 at 012112/0310.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

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This application is a divisional (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. application serial no. 09/491,026, filed January 25, 2000, which is a continuation of 60/117,047, filed January 25, 1999. The disclosure of the prior application is considered part of (and is incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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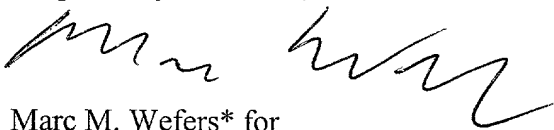
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